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SUBJECT: PUERTO RICO IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24

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1. LATE AUGUST 29 FOREIGN MINISTRY PRINCIPAL SECRETARY NYAKYI'S OFFICE TELEPHONED TO SAY THAT CHARGE COULD SEE NYAKYI 10:30 AM AUGUST 30. FOLLOWING IS ACCOUNT OF THAT MEETING:

2. CHARGE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR BEING RECEIVED PROMPTLY BY NYAKYI DURING BUSY PERIOD WHEN BOTH FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA AND JUNIOR SECRETARY SEPETU ARE OUT OF THE COUNTRY. NOTING HE HAD NOT SEEN NYAKYI SINCE DEPARTURE OF SENATOR CLARK, CHARGE THANKED NYAKYI FOR MINISTRY'S HELP IN CONNECTION WITH SENATOR'S SCHEDULE. NYAKYI REPLIED TANGOV HAD ENJOYED SENATOR'S VISIT AND PLEASED TO ASSIST IN THESE EVENTS WHICH STRENGTHENED OUR GOOD RELATIONS.

3. CHARGE THEN BRIEFLY RECALLED EMBASSY'S EFFORTS TO INSURE THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY WAS FULLY INFORMED OF USG ATTITUDE TOWARD CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24. NYAKYI ACKNOWLEDGED THIS AND SAID THAT HE HAD INTENDED TO

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PROVIDE CHARGE WITH FULL EXPLANATION OF TANGOV POSITION IN

ADVANCE OF AUGUST 20 COMMITTEE VOTE WHEN FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA, TO HIS SURPRISE, HAD TAKEN IT OUT OF HIS HANDS WITHOUT DISCUSSION. CHARGE THEN EXPRESSED USG OFFICIAL REACTION TO TANGOV VOTE IN COMMITTEE (REF. A, PARA 2), CONFINING STATEMENT TO LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION.

4. NYAKYI RESPONDED THAT HE WOULD CONVEY THE USG EXPRESSION TO HIS SUPERIORS. HE FELT IT REGRETTABLE THAT USG HAD REACTED IN THIS MANNER TO THE TANZANIAN VOTE. THE US AND TANZANIA WERE SOVEREIGN AND INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES WHICH DETERMINED THEIR VOTES ON THE BASIS OF THEIR INTERESTS AND THE MERITS OF THE CASE AT HAND. WHEN WE DISAGREED, WE SHOULD RESPECT EACH OTHER'S POSITIONS AND RIGHT OF INDEPENDENT DECISION-MAKING.

5. IN REGARD TO THE THREE POINTS OF USG POSITION JUST COMMUNICATED TO HIM, NYAKYI OFFERED FOLLOWING COMMENTS:  
A) IT WOULD NOT BE USEFUL TO DISCUSS WHETHER THIS UN COMMITTEE ACTION INVOLVED QTE A FLAGRANT INTERFERENCE UNQTE IN US AFFAIRS SINCE THIS POINT IS INHERENT IN ONE'S VIEW OF THE BASIC QUESTION OF UN CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO.  
B) WITH GREAT CAUTION, NYAKYI SAID QTE IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE UNQTE TO PROVIDE A QTE FULLER ANSWER UNQTE TO THE US DEMARCHES ON THIS SUBJECT. HE WISHED TO EXPRESS REGRET THAT THE US HAS TAKEN A DECISION BECAUSE OF THIS WHICH WILL AFFECT OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS. CHARGE DID NOT RESPOND TO NYAKYI'S EXPRESSION OF CONCERN AS TO HOW BILATERAL RELATIONS WILL BE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED.  
C) NYAKYI MANIFESTED LACK OF INFORMATION AS TO WHY COUNTRIES HAD VOTED AS THEY DID IN REGARD TO AUSTRALIAN RESOLUTION. HE SEEMED GENUINELY SURPRISED AT NUMBER OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES WHICH HAD NOT VOTED AGAINST AUSTRALIAN RESOLUTION AND REPEATED SOMEWHAT LAMELY THAT TANGOV QTE VOTED ON THE MERITS OF THE CASE UNQTE WITHOUT VOLUNTEERING WHAT THESE WERE.

6. NYAKYI NOTED THAT EUROPEAN AND AMERICAS AFFAIRS DIRECTOR MUGANDA WAS NOW IN WASHINGTON EN ROUTE TO DAR ES SALAAM FROM NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE IN LIMA. NYAKYI OBSERVED THAT  
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HE MIGHT ASK MUGANDA WHO HAD BEEN CLOSER TO MALECELA ON THIS MATTER TO EXPLORE IT WITH DEPARTMENT. CHARGE DID NOT COMMENT ON THIS NOR DID ANYONE REFER TO FINANCE MINISTER MSUYA ALSO BEING IN WASHINGTON (REF. C).

7. COMMENT: THOUGH OBVIOUSLY CONCERNED AT THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE USG POSITION CONVEYED TO HIM, NYAKYI MOSTLY EVIDENCED EMBARRASSMENT AND IGNORANCE OF WHAT MALECELA WAS UP

TO. THROUGHOUT CONVERSATION, NYAKYI REFERRED ONLY TO FOREIGN  
MINISTER MALECELA AS HAVING BEEN CONCERNED WITH TANGOV POSI-  
TION ON PUERTO RICO, NEVER TO PRESIDENT NYERERE.  
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